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AUSTRIANS SAID TO BE EVACUATING CITY OF TOLMINO.

CZAR'S FORCES PUSH AHEAD

CROSS WESTERN BANK OF ZLOTA LIPA RIVER AT POINTS.

BRITISH TAKE LOST GROUND

REGAIN TRENCHES LOST TO GERMAN NEAR POZIERES.

French Resume Hammering Tactics in Verdun Region and Take Enemy Positions in Vaux-Fleury Sector, It Is Announced—Italians Push Ahead on Carso Plateau—Emperor William of Germany Is Again on the Eastern Front—Austrian Fleet Said to Have Left Trieste.

BERLIN (via London), August 15.—Austro-German troops under General Count von Bothmer, are offering determined resistance to the Russian advance along the upper Strips in northern Galicia. They have completely repulsed strong attacks in the Zborov-Konynsky sector, according to the official statement of the war office today.

LONDON, August 15.—Gains for the Italians, Russians, British and French were reported today in war statements from the capitals of the entente allies.

The Italians are making rapid strides in their drive on Austrian territory, both north and south of Gorizia. It is indicated in the former direction they have reached the suburbs of Tolmino, eighteen miles northeast of Gorizia, according to unofficial messages which report the city on fire and in process of evacuation by the Austrians. Its fall being momentarily expected.

To the southeast, special dispatches assert, the Italian advance guard has reached a point within thirteen miles of Trieste. The greater part of the Austrian fleet is reported to have left the harbor of Trieste for an unknown destination.

The Austrian naval base of Pola lies on the Adriatic, fifty-five miles southeast of Trieste. This would naturally be the refuge of any part of the fleet which might be at Trieste when the safety of that city was believed to be menaced.

Tolmino, a place of only some 2,000 inhabitants before the war, has been of chief importance during the period of hostilities because of the strong bridgehead position established there by the Austrians in their system for the defense of the Isonzo region north of Gorizia.

This bridgehead, regarded generally as next in importance to that of Gorizia, has persistently resisted Italian attacks. The town itself, however, which has frequently been under Italian shell fire, previously has been reported abandoned by the Austrians, but these reports have never been confirmed.

Emperor William is again on the eastern front where the Austro-German armies are struggling desperately to withstand the heavy strokes of the Russians in Galicia and Volhynia. In the latter region the opposing forces apparently are at a standstill, but in Galicia the onward sweep of General Brusilov's forces is continuing with rapidity.

Cross to Western Banks.

The Zlota Lipa line to which the Austrians fell back after the forced evacuation of their positions along the Strips, is apparently not destined to hold for any length of time. Petrograd reports the Russians crossing to the western banks of the Zlota Lipa river at some points, thus menacing the flank of General von Bothmer's lines elsewhere along that stream.

Further south General Letichsky is continuing his advance below Hales, across the Bystritsa-Shotvina line, while to the north the Russians are moving along the upper Strips on the new positions west of the Teton's old line.

WHO HUNG HANLY'S PICTURE

While they're hanging pictures of Albert Beveridge and Theodore Roosevelt in the Republican headquarters in Indianapolis, regardless of the "Spirit of 1912," there has been a little sly hanging going on at the Democratic statehouse.

Ed Donnell, Democratic clerk to the state board of printing and binding, is on a vacation and state officials are wondering how a picture of J. Frank Hanly got on the wall of Donnell's office. Mr. Hanly, former Governor of Indiana, is now the nominee for President on the Prohibition national ticket.

Governor Ralston, after carefully examining the picture, said he didn't know a thing about it—but he suspected Donnell had gone "dry." Ben Strickland, Donnell's associate at the statehouse, says the whole thing is a flimsy bluff to him.

Around the Governor's office it seems to be the understanding that Donnell has left the party.

And Donnell, miles away from his base of supplies.

PRESIDENT WILSON NOT TO MAKE SPEAKING TOUR

TO ACCEPT INVITATIONS TO VISIT DIFFERENT PLACES.

M'CORMICK AT WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, August 15.—After a conference today between President Wilson and the members of the Democratic campaign committee, Vance C. McCormick, chairman of the national committee, announced that the President would make no speaking tour but probably would accept invitations to speak at different places.

Mr. McCormick explained the President's decision by saying Mr. Wilson believed a speaking tour to be incompatible with the dignity of the office of President.

CHINESE TROOPS KILL OR WOUND 17 JAPANESE

ATTACK GARRISON BETWEEN MUKDEN AND CHAO YANG FU.

ONE OFFICER REPORTED DEAD

TOKIO, August 15.—Chinese troops have attacked the Japanese garrison at Cheng Chia Tun, between Mukden and Chao Yang Fu, and have killed or wounded seventeen Japanese soldiers and killed one officer. According to official advices from Cheng Chia Tun, the Japanese barracks is besieged by the Chinese soldiers. Reinforcements are being rushed to the garrison from the Japanese forces at Kaiyuan and Sushingai. The fighting resulted from the arrest of a Japanese merchant.

Cheng Chia Tun, where a Japanese garrison is reported besieged by Chinese troops, is near the line of the Harbin-Chang Chun railway, reported sold to Japan by Russia under the recent Japanese-Russian convention.

Cheng Chia Tun also is in the neighborhood of the Sungari river, on which Japanese rights are said to have been recognized.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

m.	70.57
a.	70.53
p.	70.55

-Local Forecast-

Local forecast for Indianapolis and vicinity for the twenty-four hours ending 7 a. m., August 16: Unsettled with probably showers tonight and Wednesday; not much change in temperature.

Forecast for Indiana: Probably showers tonight and Wednesday.

Forecast for Illinois: Showers tonight; Wednesday partly cloudy and somewhat warmer.

-Weather in Other Cities-

The following table shows the state of the weather in other cities at 8 a. m.: